BEFORE THE ARIZONA REGULATORY BOARD OF PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS

In the Matter of

STEVEN M. YOUNG, P.A.

Holder of License No. 1634 For the Performance of Health Care Tasks In the State of Arizona. Case No. PA-16-0006A

ORDER FOR SURRENDER
OF LICENSURE AND CONSENT
TO THE SAME

Steven M. Young, P.A. ("Respondent"), elects to permanently waive any right to a hearing and appeal with respect to this Order for Surrender of Licensure; admits the jurisdiction of the Arizona Regulatory Board of Physician Assistants ("Board") and findings of fact as stated herein; and consents to the entry of this Order by the Board.

FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. The Board is the duly constituted authority for the regulation and control of physician assistants in the State of Arizona.
- 2. Respondent is the holder of license number 1634 for the performance of health care tasks in the State of Arizona.
- 3. The Board initiated case number PA-16-0006A after receiving a self-report from Respondent stating that on September 28, 2015, he was arrested for Driving Under the Influence ("DUI") and other charges.
- 4. Respondent was referred for an assessment with the Board's Physician Health Program ("PHP") Contractor, who referred Respondent for an evaluation at an inpatient treatment facility. The PHP Contractor opined that Respondent may have a health condition that has the potential to place patients and the public at risk. The PHP Contractor recommended limiting Respondent's practice by prohibiting him from performing healthcare tasks in any form until an evaluation was completed and any

 recommended treatment had taken place and been successfully completed, followed by a reassessment with the PHP regarding Respondent's fitness for duty.

- 5. On February 24, 2016, Respondent entered into a Non-Disciplinary Interim Consent Agreement for Practice Limitation and Evaluation ("ICA").
- 6. The Board subsequently received a complaint stating that Respondent failed to notify his supervising physician or place of practice that he had entered into the ICA and provided care to three patients in violation of the ICA.
- 7. On May 30, 2016, Respondent was issued a Confidential Interim Order for Neuropsychological Evaluation and Treatment with an Addiction Medicine Specialist. Respondent failed to complete the evaluation.
- 8. Respondent subsequently notified the Board that he no longer intended to perform healthcare tasks in Arizona due to a health condition.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- The Board possesses jurisdiction over the subject matter hereof and over Respondent.
- 2. The Board possesses statutory authority to enter into a consent agreement with a physician assistant and accept the surrender of an active license from a physician assistant who admits to having committed an act of unprofessional conduct. A.R.S. § 32-2551(P)(2).
- 3. The conduct and circumstances described above constitutes unprofessional conduct pursuant to A.R.S. § 32-2501(18)(k) ("Violation of a formal order, probation or stipulation issued by the board.").

<u>ORDER</u>

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT Respondent immediately surrender license number 1634, issued to Steven M. Young, P.A., for the performance of healthcare tasks in the State of Arizona, and return his certificate of licensure to the Board.

ARIZONA REGULATORY BOARD OF PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS

Patricia E. McSorley
Executive Director

CONSENT TO ENTRY OF ORDER

- Respondent has read and understands this Consent Agreement and the stipulated Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order ("Order"). Respondent acknowledges he has the right to consult with legal counsel regarding this matter.
- 2. Respondent acknowledges and agrees that this Order is entered into freely and voluntarily and that no promise was made or coercion used to induce such entry.
- 3. By consenting to this Order, Respondent voluntarily relinquishes any rights to a hearing or judicial review in state or federal court on the matters alleged, or to challenge this Order in its entirety as issued by the Board, and waives any other cause of action related thereto or arising from said Order.
- 4. The Order is not effective until approved by the Board and signed by its Executive Director.
- 5. All admissions made by Respondent are solely for final disposition of this matter and any subsequent related administrative proceedings or civil litigation involving the Board and Respondent. Therefore, said admissions by Respondent are not intended

or made for any other use, such as in the context of another state or federal government regulatory agency proceeding, civil or criminal court proceeding, in the State of Arizona or any other state or federal court.

- 6. Upon signing this agreement, and returning this document (or a copy thereof) to the Board's Executive Director, Respondent may not revoke the consent to the entry of the Order. Respondent may not make any modifications to the document. Any modifications to this original document are ineffective and void unless mutually approved by the parties.
- 7. This Order is a public record that will be publicly disseminated as a formal disciplinary action of the Board and will be reported to the National Practitioner's Data Bank and on the Board's web site as a disciplinary action.
- 8. If the Board does not adopt this Order, Respondent will not assert as a defense that the Board's consideration of the Order constitutes bias, prejudice, prejudgment or other similar defense.

STEVEN M. YOUNG, P.A.

DATED: Sept 16 2016

EXECUTED COPY of the foregoing mailed this day of ______, 2016 to:

Steven M. Young, P.A. Address of Record

ORIGINAL of the foregoing filed this day of September, 2016 with:

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